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PRIORITY

1. REFERENCES:

A. MCM-0006-02,1 FEBRUARY 2002, "UPDATED PROCEDURES FOR DEPLOYMENT HEALTH SURVEILLANCE AND READINESS".

B. DODD 6490.2, 30 AUGUST 1997, "JOINT MEDICAL SURVEILLANCE".

C. DODI 6490.3, 7 AUGUST 1997, "IMPLEMENTATION AND APPLICATION OF JOINT MEDICAL FOR DEPLOYMENTS".

D. ASD-HA MEMORANDUM 25 OCTOBER 2001, "UPDATED POLICY FOR PRE- AND POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENTS AND BLOOD SAMPLES".

2. AN IMPORTANT AND POWERFUL COMPONENT OF THE ARMY FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION (FHP) PROGRAM IS A SIMPLE-TO-COMPLETE PRE AND POST DEPLOYMENT SURVEY FOR EACH DEPLOYING/REDEPLOYING SOLDIER. CONGRESS AND GAO ARE DISPLAYING GREAT INTEREST IN COMPLETED P/PDHA FOR

SOLDIERS DEPLOYED ISO SFOR/KFOR/ONE/OEF IN LIGHT OF LESSONS LEARNED FROM OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD/STORM ELEVEN YEARS AGO. THE ARMY SCORECARD ON COMPLETED SURVEYS FOR SOLDIERS DEPLOYING ISO ONE/OEF IS NOT GOOD AND NEEDS IMMEDIATE EMPHASIS. FHP IS A COMMANDER'S PROGRAM. THE USA MEDICAL COMMAND (MEDCOM) IS PREPARED TO ASSIST ALL COMMANDERS WITH IMPLEMENTING, SCHEDULING AND DOCUMENTING COMPLIANCE.

2. P/PDHA RULES: DOD REQUIRES SOLDIERS TO COMPLETE DD FORM 2795 (PRE-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT) PRIOR TO DEPLOYING AND DD FORM 2796 (POST-DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT) PRIOR TO REDEPLOYING. AC PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN TROOP MOVEMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH A JCS/UNIFIED COMMAND DEPLOYMENT ORDER FOR 30 CONTINUOUS DAYS OR GREATER TO A LAND-BASED LOCATION OUTSIDE CONUS THAT DOES NOT HAVE A PERMANENT U.S. MILITARY TREATMENT FACILITY REQUIRE A P/PDHA. ROUTINE SHIPBOARD OPERATIONS NOT INVOLVING ON-THE-GROUND FIELD OPERATIONS FOR OVER 30 DAYS ARE EXEMPT. RC PERSONNEL CALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY FOR 30 DAYS OR MORE, CONUS OR OCONUS, REQUIRE A P/PDHA. THE HQDA G1 PUBLISHES SPECIAL NAMED OPERATIONS/CONTINGENCIES REQUIRING A P/PDHA IN THE PERSONNEL POLICY GUIDANCE.

3. UNIT COMMANDERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING EACH DEPLOYING/REDEPLOYING SOLDIER COMPLETES THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

A. COMPLETE DD FORM 2795 (PRE-DEPLOYMENT) WITHIN 30 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT. FILE THE ORIGINAL FORM IN THE SOLDIER'S HEALTH RECORD (HREC). PLACE ONE COPY IN THE SOLDIER'S DD FORM 2766 (ADULT PREVENTIVE AND CHRONIC CARE FLOWSHEET), OFTEN CALLED THE "DEPLOYABLE HREC", WHICH ACCOMPANIES THE SOLDIER DURING DEPLOYMENT. MAIL ONE COPY TO ARMY MEDICAL SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITY, BUILDING T-20, ROOM 213 (ATTN: MCHB-TS-EDM), 6900 GEORGIA AVENUE NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20307-5001 PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT. TRACKABLE NEXT-DAY OR OVERNIGHT MAIL IS THE PREFERRED METHOD OF MAILING. COMMANDERS WITH SOLDIERS ALREADY DEPLOYED FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME AND HAVE NOT COMPLETED DD FORM 2795

MUST COMPLETE THE FORM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. HQDA WILL BEGIN TO TRACK DEPLOYED UNIT COMPLIANCE VERY SHORTLY.

B. COMPLETE DD FORM 2796 (POST-DEPLOYMENT) WITHIN 5 DAYS PRIOR TO REDEPLOYMENT. FILE THE ORIGINAL FORM IN THE HREC IMMEDIATELY UPON RETURN TO HOME STATION. MAIL ONE COPY TO ARMY MEDICAL SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITY, BUILDING T-20, ROOM 213 (ATTN: MCHB-TS-EDM), 6900 GEORGIA AVENUE NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20307-5001 WITHIN 5 WORKING DAYS OF REDEPLOYMENT TO HOME STATION. TRACKABLE NEXT-DAY OR OVERNIGHT MAIL IS THE PREFERRED METHOD OF MAILING.

5. HEALTH ASSESSMENT FORMS CAN BE DOWNLOADED FROM THE AMSA WEBSITE:

[HTTP://AMSA.ARMY.MIL](http://amsa.army.mil). THE AMSA POC IS DSN 662-0471 OR COMMERCIAL (202) 782-0471.

6. COMMANDERS DEMONSTRATE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR COMPLETION OF P/PDHA USING THE MEDICAL PROTECTIVE SYSTEM (MEDPROS), THE ARMY'S MODERN, CENTRALIZED, WEBIFIED STANDARD FOR TRACKING ALL ASPECTS OF AC/RC MEDICAL AND DENTAL READINESS (I.E. IMMUNIZATIONS, HIV, DNA, LENS PRESCRIPTIONS, PROFILES, ETC.). COMMANDERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANNOTATING THE DATE THE PRE AND POST HEALTH ASSESSMENT WERE COMPLETED IN EACH SOLDIERS INDIVIDUAL MEDICAL READINESS (IMR) RECORD WITHIN MEDPROS. ONCE AMSA RECEIVES THE MAILED COPIES OF THE P/PDHA AND ENTERED THE FORM INTO THEIR DOD DATABASE, MEDPROS WILL AUTOMATICALLY UPDATE MEDPROS TO REFLECT A SUCCESSFUL DATA CAPTURE TO COMPLETE THE PROCESS. USAMEDCOM IS WORKING VERY HARD TO DIGITIZE/AUTOMATE THIS HANDWRITTEN FORM/PROCESS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE TO ELIMINATE THE SOLDIER/SUPERVISOR HASSLE FACTOR. RECENT FIELDING OF MEDPROS RAPID ID CARD/CAC SCANNERS TO SRP SITES WILL GREATLY EXPEDITE THIS PROCESS.

7. COMMANDERS MAY DESIGNATE ANY AUTHORIZED USER TO INPUT DATA INTO MEDPROS. INSTRUCTIONS FOR OBTAINING WRITE-ACCESS TO MEDPROS ARE FOUND AT [WWW.MODS.ARMY.MIL](http://www.mods.army.mil). ONCE AT THIS PAGE, SELECT MEDPROS. ON

THE MEDPROS ACCESS/ LOG ON SCREEN SELECT "ACCESS TO MODS." THIS ACCESS PAGE PROVIDES STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS ON COMPLETING A SINGLE AGENCY FORM 9R (AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD) AND PROCESSING OF THE REQUEST. THE COMPLETED FORM IS SENT TO THE MODS HELP DESK. A FAXED COPY IS INITIALLY ACCEPTABLE, BUT THE ORIGINAL MUST BE MAILED TO THE HELP DESK. THE HELP DESK WILL CONTACT THE REQUESTOR BY PHONE WITH THE LOGON ID AND TEMPORARY PASSWORD. THE 24-HOUR MEDPROS HELP DESK CAN BE REACHED AT DSN 761-4976 OR COMM (703) 681-4976; FAX EXT 4983.

8. COMMANDERS/SUPERVISORS AT EVERY LEVEL MUST MEET THE MISSION TO COMPLETE PRE AND POST DEPLOYMENT HEALTH ASSESSMENTS ON ALL DEPLOYING SOLDIERS. THIS IS THE ONLY METHOD FOR ENSURING YOUR SOLDIERS DOCUMENT PRE AND POST DEPLOYMENT ILLNESSES AND ALLOW US TO PROVIDE THE BEST TREATMENT POSSIBLE. WE OWE IT TO OUR SOLDIERS TO DO THIS CORRECTLY AND NOT REPEAT THE SAME LESSONS LEARNED FROM OPERATION DESERT STORM.

9. THE HQDA POC IS COL BOB DEFRAITES, OFFICE OF THE SURGEON GENERAL, AT COMM (703) 681.3146; DSN 761-3146; EMAIL: [ROBERT.DEFRAITES@AMEDD.ARMY.MIL](mailto:ROBERT.DEFRAITES@AMEDD.ARMY.MIL)

10. EXPIRATION DATE CANNOT BE DETERMINED

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